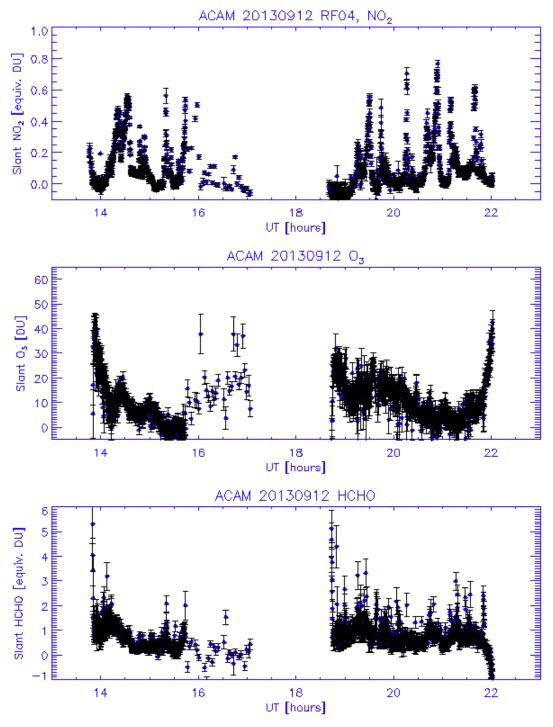


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Operations Summary RF04

The ACAM instrument operated normally during most of the third research flight. Cloud cover was less of an issue today with 10-15% of pixels when binned to 1 km but enhanced values of NO_2 , CH_2O , and O_3 were observed throughout the day. The following retrievals are swath averaged [7km across track by 1.3 km meters along track].

A problem with the data storage system caused the loss of 1 hour of data during the morning flight. Troubleshooting of the system will be done on the next non-flight day.



Trace gas slant column amounts

Enhanced values of NO₂ were seen in the West Houston, Channel view, and Manvel Croix areas in both the morning and afternoon legs with peak values occurring in the afternoon.

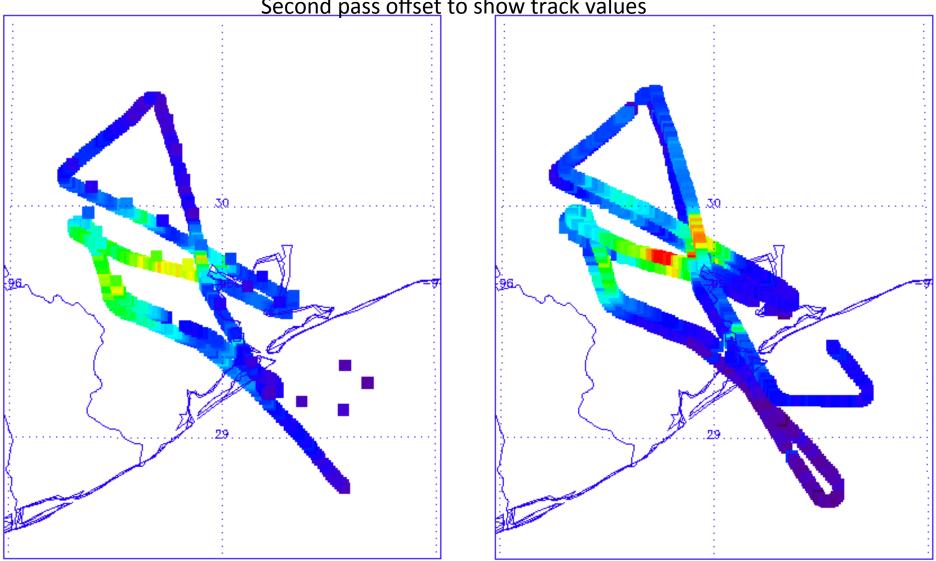
Enhanced values of both O₃ and HCHO were observed near the Channel View site throughout the day and generally west of the city on the Manvel Croix track.

NO₂ Spatial Distribution

Morning Afternoon

Peak [red] = 2.0 e16 molec./cm²

Second pass offset to show track values

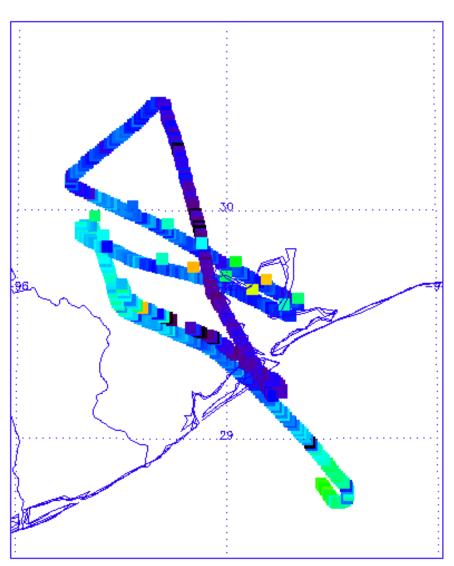


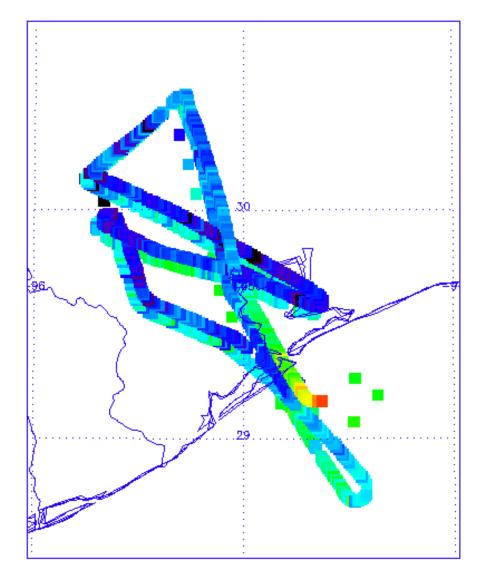
O₃ Spatial Distribution

Morning

Afternoon Peak [red] = 35 DU

Second pass offset to show track values





HCHO Spatial Distribution

Morning Afternoon

Peak [red] = 4e16 molec./cm^2 Second pass offset to show track values

